

trial magistrate whose absence or inability caused the substitution, and the salary of the trial magistrate so causing the substitution shall be diminished by a sum necessary to compensate the substitute as herein provided, for any such period of absence or inability in excess of 15 days in any one year.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1943.

Approved May 6, 1943.

CHAPTER 545.

(House Bill 518)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sub-section (Wicomico County) of Section 100 of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Justices of the Peace", sub-title "Trial Magistrates System", authorizing the County Commissioners to prescribe the compensation of the clerk of the People's Court of Wicomico County, not to exceed a certain maximum.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sub-section (Wicomico County) of Section 100 of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Justices of the Peace", sub-title "Trial Magistrates System", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

100. (Wicomico County.) There shall be one trial magistrate who shall sit at Salisbury and shall receive an annual salary of Twenty-four Hundred (\$2,400.00) Dollars, the said trial magistrate so appointed to be known as the Judge of the People's Court.

There shall be appointed biennially by the Judge of the People's Court a Clerk who shall keep all dockets of and supervise and manage the Office of the People's Court of said county and said Clerk shall perform such other duties as shall be properly assigned to him by the said Judge and he shall receive such compensation as the County Commissioners may, in their discretion prescribe, not exceeding Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,800.00) per annum, payable by the County Commissioners of the said County; the said Clerk before entering upon his duties shall give bond to the State of Maryland in the penalty of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) with corporate surety satisfactory to said County Commissioners, the premium of